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SUBJECT: INSTRUCTION: UNGA THIRD COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:
UNIVERSAL SELF-DETERMINATION

REF: NOVEMBER 10 2009 UNGA 3C DRAFT RESOLUTION

1.(U) The Department instructs USDEL to join consensus on the resolution entitled "Universal realization of the right of peoples to self-determination" provided that the resolution text does not change significantly from the wording contained in REF in ways that would negatively affect vital U.S. interests.

¶2. (U) Mission is also instructed to convey an Explanation of Position EOP) based upon the following text:

"The United States Considers the Right of Self-Determination of peoples to be important and therefore joins consensus because of the importance of this topic. We note, however, as stated by other delegations, that it contains many mis-statements of international law and is inconsistent with current practice."

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